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Don and I can provide some added insight into this matter having discussed with state before passage.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 26, 2015, at 7:55 AM, Macler, Bruce <Macler.Bruce@epa.gov> wrote:

FYI

From Groundwater Resources Assn

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From: Timothy K. Parker [mailto:tim@pg-tim.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2015 8:40 AM
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Subject: Well Logs No Longer Confidential - Two Budget Trailer Bills Signed Yesterday

Friends and Colleagues:

Yesterday, Governor Jerry Brown, with the swipe of his pen, made another subtle yet historic change to California's groundwater law and policy: Well logs are now publicly available.

See attached Budget Trailer Bill SB83 and changes to Water Code Section 13752. Also see attached 2011 Fact Sheet from Senator Pavley's office, drafted the last of several previous unsuccessful times that GRA provided support to the Legislature to attempt to make well logs publicly available.

But with the passage of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act last year, things seem somehow different in California now – so believe in your vision and everything is possible!

It is not yet clear how and when the California Department of Water Resources will be ready to respond to requests from the public for well logs.

Besides eliminating well log confidentiality, SB83 contains many other provisions including:

- Requirement aquifer exemptions proposed under the Class 2 UIC program be reviewed by SWRCB and RWQCBs, and if approved by Water Boards, proposed aquifer exemptions to be submitted to US EPA
- Requires Department of Conservation to report to the legislature every six months on the UIC program

SB88 is another Budget Trailer Bill signed by the Governor yesterday that includes:

- Recycled water projects CEQA exemption
- Well ordinances CEQA exemption
- Drought water system consolidation

(see attachment)

Budget Trailer Bills SB83 & SB88 are important to groundwater resources management, and GRA recommends that groundwater and water professionals consider taking a look at both of them.

Best Regards,

Tim Parker

GRA Director and Legislative Committee Chairman

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